

GOVERNMENT OF TELANGANA
ABSTRACT

Public Services - EFS&T Department - Disciplinary action against Sri V. Lingam, the then Forest Range Officer, Pembi Range of Nirmal Division of Adilabad Circle now retired - Imposition of penalty of 5% cut in pension for one year - Orders - Issued.

ENVIRONMENT, FORESTS, SCIENCE & TECHNOLOGY (FOR.III) DEPARTMENT

G.O.Rt.No.72.

Dated:24-05-2017

Read the following:-

1. From the Prl.CCF, Lr.Ref.No.52104/2011/K2, Dt. 22.07.2013.
2. G.M.No.5942/For.IV/A1/2013,Dt.17-12-2013.
3. From PCCF Lr.Rc.No.52104/2011/Vig-2, dt. 08-07-2016.
4. G.M.No.5942/For.III/A1/2013, Dt. 13-10-2016.
5. From PCCF Lr.Rc.No.52104/2011/Vig.2, dt. 30-11-2016.
6. Govt.letter No. 5942/For.III/A1/2013, Dt. 19-12-2016.
7. From Secretary, TSPSC Lr.No. 160/RT/TSPSC/2017,
Dt. 14-04-2017.

In his letter 1st read above, the Prl. Chief Conservator of Forests has reported that, an Article of Charge was issued against Sri V. Lingam, Forest Range Officer, Pembi Range of Nirmal Division of Adilabad Circle on the following:

Article-I "That the said Sri V. Lingam, had grossly neglected his duties by allowing illegal construction of (2) large percolation tanks in Reserve Forest under his jurisdiction in violation of A.P. Forest (Conservation) Act, 1980.

Article-II "That the said Sri V. Lingam, Forest Range Officer had shown gross negligence in discharging his legitimate duties, resulting in large scale of destructions of Reserve Forests under his jurisdiction and failed to bring the facts of the higher authorities."

The Charged Officer had acknowledged the Article of Charge on 18.7.2012 and submitted his defense statement dt.03-08-2012. The Conservator of Forests, Adilabad and Divisional Forest Officer, Nirmal were appointed as Inquiry Officer and Presenting Officer respectively, for conducting regular inquiry vide Prl. CCF Rc.No.52104/2011-P3 (i) & (ii), Dt.01-08-2012. The Inquiry Officer conducted enquiry and submitted his findings vide APCCF/CCF, Adilabad Rc.No.6194/2011-M1, Dt.04-05-2013, wherein he has held both the charges proved. The findings of the inquiry officer were communicated to the Charged Officer vide Prl. CCF Rc.No.52104/2011-K2, Dt.18-05-2013 and the Charged Officer submitted his further defense statement on the findings of Inquiry Authority on 18-11-2016. Since the Charged Officer has retired from service on 30.9.2012 on attaining the age of superannuation, the disciplinary proceedings are continued under Rule 9 of A.P. Revised Pension Rules, 1980.

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2. Government after examination of the matter, with reference to the findings of the Inquiry Officer and remarks of the Principal Chief Conservator of Forests, and material made available, have observed that, the charges framed against the Charged Officer are held proved and, thus, provisionally decided to impose a penalty of 5% cut in pension for one year on the charged officer, Sri V. Lingam, the then Forest Range Officer formerly Pembi Range of Nirmal Division of Adilabad Circle, now retired under Rule 9 of Revised Pension Rules, 1980. Accordingly, Show-Cause Notice was issued to Sri V. Lingam, the then Forest Range Officer now retired vide reference 5th read above for his explanation if any on the proposed punishment. The Charged Officer has submitted his explanation vide reference 6th read above.

3. Government after careful examination of the matter hereby impose the penalty of 5% cut in pension for one year on the charged officer, Sri V. Lingam, the then Forest Range Officer formerly Pembi Range of Nirmal Division of Adilabad Circle now retired under Rule 9 of Revised Pension Rules, 1980 as concurred by the T.S. Public Service Commission.

4. The Principal Chief Conservator of Forests, Telangana, Hyderabad shall take necessary action accordingly.

(BY ORDER AND IN THE NAME OF THE GOVERNOR OF TELANGANA)

B.R.MEENA
SPECIAL CHIEF SECRETARY TO GOVERNMENT

To
The Prl. Chief Conservator of Forests, Telangana, Hyderabad.
The individual (through the Prl. Chief Conservator of Forests,
Telangana, Hyderabad)
The Accountant General (A&E), Telangana, Hyderabad.
The Director of Treasuries & Accounts, Telangana, Hyderabad.
The Secretary, TS Public Service Commission, Hyderabad
(w.r.t. Lr.No.160/RT/TSPSC/2017, dt.14-04-2017)
Sf/Sc.

//FORWARDED :: BY ORDER//

SECTION OFFICER